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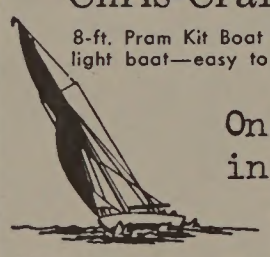

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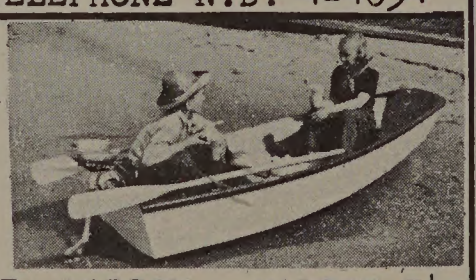

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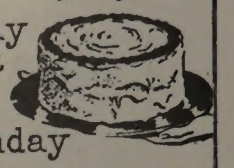

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SUCCESSFUL BEAN SUPPER HELD BY COUPLES CLUB

Approximately 100 were served at the bean, ham and salad supper Saturday evening in the vestry of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church sponsored by the Couples Club of the church.

Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford I. Tripp, Jr., co-chairmen, were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrage, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Seeley, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Souza, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. David Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Young.

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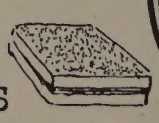

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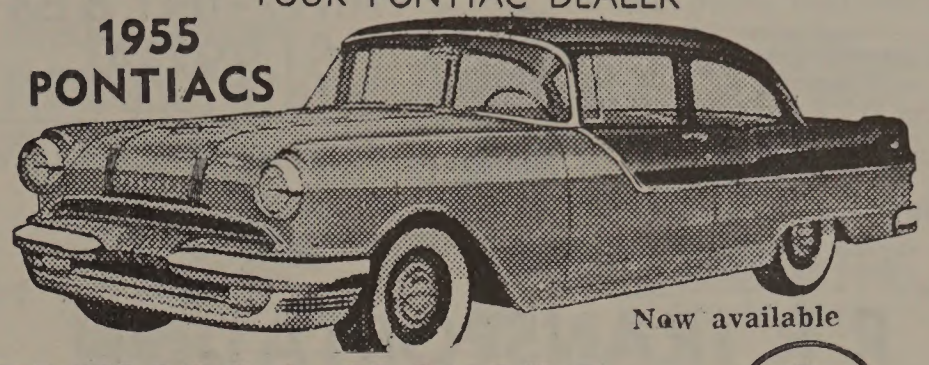

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JUVENILE STATE DEPUTY MAKES VISITATION

The Mattapoisett Juvenile Grange met Friday March 18th at the Grange Hall.

During the meeting, conducted by Master Denise Johnson, State Juvenile Deputy Mrs. Hildred Brann was escorted to the master's station. Visitors recognized were Mr. Brann, Master of Boro Pomona, Mrs. Harry Downing, Sippican Pomona Representative, Mr. George Sousa, Master of Sippican Pomona, and Mr. George Randall, Master of Mattapoisett Grange.

Anne DeCosta, James DeCosta, George Rounseville and Jane West were elected to membership.

Regular officers conferred the degree on Valerie Randall, Leonard Randall, Jr., Jane West, Ann DeCosta, James DeCosta and John Dexter.

Home and Community Service Chairman announced that candy and comic books were for sale, as they would be at each meeting. She also reminded the members to bring in 10¢ crayons or color books to be sent to a children's hospital. She announced that 1869 cancelled stamps have been saved.

The Safety Arm-lite bands were distributed for sale at 15¢ each.

For a money making project it was voted to take orders for donuts, the date of sale to be announced later. Committee appointed to start this project was Nancy Corcoran, Mary Reed, Betty Souza and Frances Hyland.

The refreshment committee for the next meeting will be Carol Dunn, Linda Aiken and John Dexter, assisted by the assistant Matron, Mrs. Charles Ricketson.

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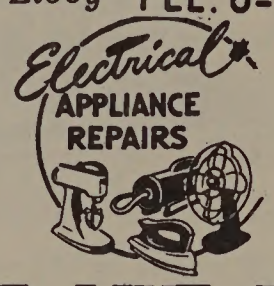

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Mrs. Brann, State Deputy, spoke briefly, complimenting the officers and members for a job well done, and in having a Juvenile Grange to be proud of. Mr. Brann was presented with a potted ivy by Master Denise Johnson from members of the Grange.

After the meeting, green frosted cupcakes and punch were enjoyed. They were served by Joyce Harriman, Cathrine Sousa and Margaret Neimeics.

"DOC" SULLIVAN TO RETIRE AS POSTMASTER AT ANTASSAWAMOCK

The retirement of "Doc" Sullivan as postmaster at Antassawamock on May 1st introduces Mrs. Frank Kouble as his successor to the position. Mrs. Kouble, a resident and home owner on the Neck, is second vice-president of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club. She will operate the Post Office from May 1st to September 30th, and plans now are to continue the location in the Casino.

Although "Doc", in years, is of an age which calls for retirement, don't ever get the idea that, like all old soldiers, he is to fade away. Leading a very active life since his soldiering days, he can be seen daily making his regular stops in his usual high spirited, good natured way. Always with time to stop and chat, he is most interesting to meet, as he not only can talk today's events with the best of them, but he can take you back quite a few years with remembrances worth putting between the covers of a book. We wish him good luck in his retirement and Mrs. Kouble many pleasant happenings in her new work.

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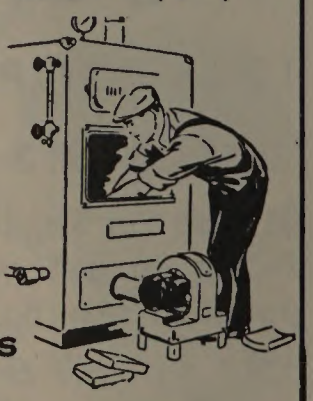
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WHIST PARTY AT GRANGE

A whist party will be held on Thursday, March 24th at the Mattapoisett Grange Hall. In charge of the party will be Mrs. Joseph Furtado, Mrs. John Souza, Mrs. Jenny Toolis, Mrs. George Randall and Mrs. Leonard Randall. Refreshments will be served and tickets may be bought at the door or by calling Mrs. Furtado or Mrs. Randall.

PARENTS OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Shurtleff of Fairhaven are parents of a son, William Haydon, born Thursday at St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford. Mr. Shurtleff is associated with Modern Sales Co. of Fairhaven and Mrs. Shurtleff was formerly of the teaching staff at Mattapoisett Center School.

Grandparent honors are shared by Mr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Haydon and Mr. and Mrs. Ward H. Shurtleff of Fairhaven.

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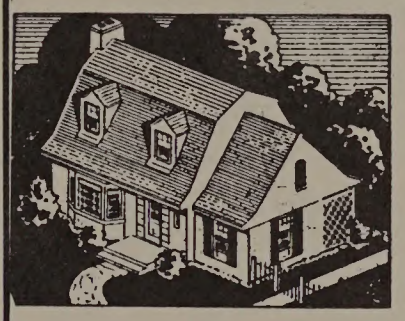

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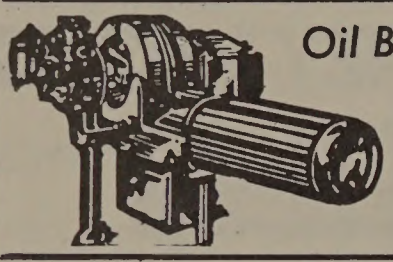

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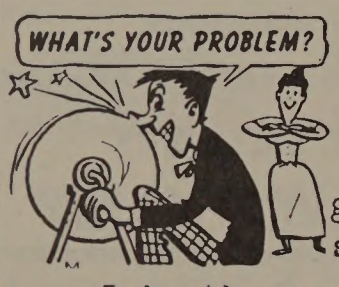

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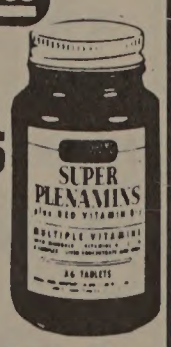

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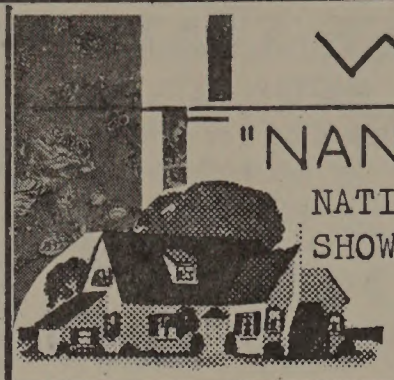

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The Rev. Ralph Tucker, rector of St. Martin's Episcopal Church of New Bedford, was the guest speaker at the meeting of Couples Club of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church held in the church vestry Tuesday evening. Rev. Tucker spoke on his experiences as a missionary in China.

Richard E. Chase presided at the business meeting. Named to a nominating committee were Mr. and Mrs. Alan H. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. George D. Heath, Jr.

A large green hat, symbolising St. Patrick's Day was the centerpiece for the table with green candles and green carnations tied around the candle holders. Serving on the refreshment committee were Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. George Heath, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William Matthews and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Illingworth.

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Those ladies who have squares for the Veteran's afghans, please bring them to the next meeting of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club on Thursday, March 31st.

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ROCHESTER GIRL SCOUT NEWS

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Thursday night the troop met to plan a cookout for the last day of Girl Scout week. Tin can stoves were prepared for the campfires.

Saturday morning at 9 o'clock the troop met for the cookout at Mrs. Chase's, their troop leader. Pancakes were prepared on the tin cans for breakfast. After breakfast, everyone went for a hike following which lunch was prepared over campfires. Marshmallows were also toasted and games were played.

When it was time to leave, the girls said they had enjoyed themselves very much, and while the troop was enjoying themselves they had accomplished something.

A civil defense program is being carried out by the Girl Scouts of Rochester Consolidated School. Three girl scouts were assigned to each room.

Mrs. Peele is the new director of Girl Scouts.

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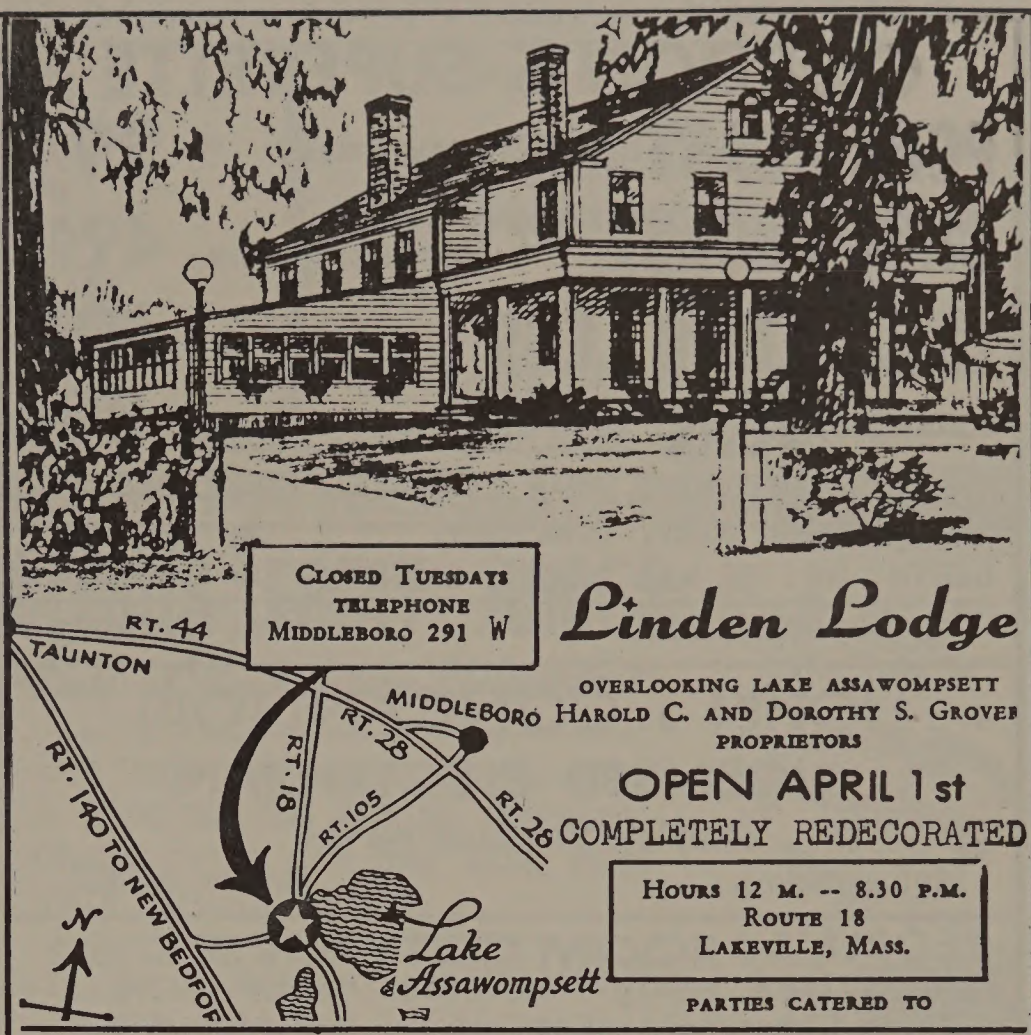

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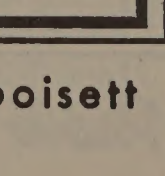

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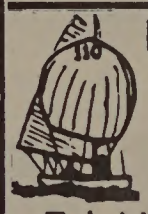

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OBSERVED WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bettencourt of Rochester celebrated their sixteenth wedding anniversary on March 18th.

Mr. George Bettencourt says it isn't important, but we think it is. His birthday was March 18th.

GUESTS OF ARTHUR TRIPPS

Rev. Russell Hess and family of Southville were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tripp of Rochester. Rev. Hess is a missionary and was guest speaker of the Long Plain Church. He plans to go to Formosa as soon as an opening in his field becomes available.

PARENTS OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Tripp, Jr. of Marion Road, Mattapoisett are parents of a son, Joseph G. Tripp, 3d, born Sunday, March 13th at St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Tripp of Marion Road, Mattapoisett and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doberck of Fairhaven.

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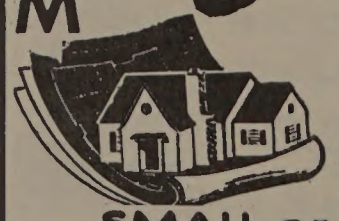

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railroading. Singing was enjoyed and movie films by Mr. Carreau of North Street, Rochester Badges were awarded to Barry Coggeshall, Michael Gavoni, Crosby Hatch, bob cat pins; Irving Howes, first year service star; and Ray Taber, lion badge and gold arrow.

CENTER SCHOOL NEWS

At recent assemblies the senior orchestra played and the film,"You Can Make Music", was shown. That film demonstrated musical instruments and stressed the appreciation of music.

At another assembly Mrs. Beth Choller exhibited the film "Australis's Platypus", and introduced a series of science films to be shown pupils in grades four through seven.

LITERATURE-DRAMA GROUP MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Literature and Drama Group of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will be held on Wednesday, April 13th at the home of Mrs. Milton Smythe on Main Street, Mattapoisett. At that meeting two books will be reviewed, namely "New Men" by C. P. Snow and "Gertrude Lawrence, as Mrs. A." by Richard Aldrich.

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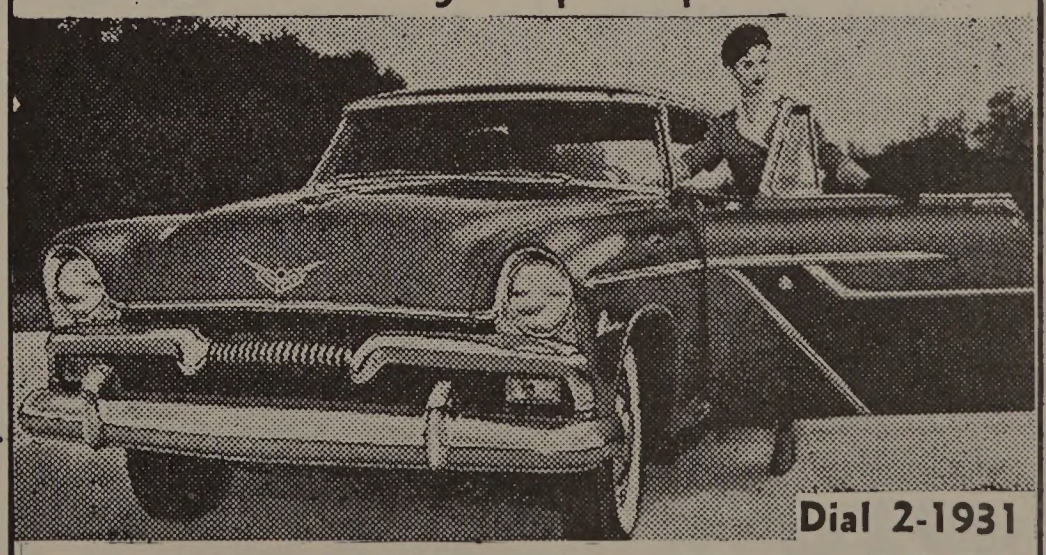

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Specifications may be obtained at the Selectmen's Office at the Town Hall.

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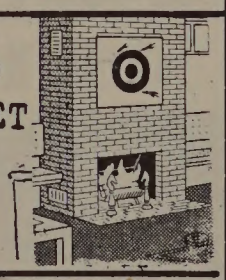

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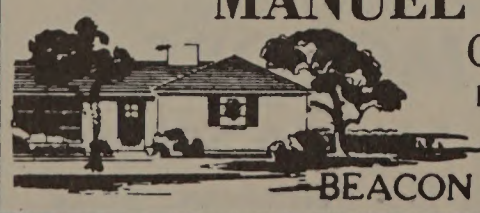

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HONOR AND ACHIEVEMENT ROLLS ANNOUNCED

Principal Arthur F. Baker has announced the following honor and achievement rolls for the third term at Mattapoisett Center School:

Honor Roll: Grade 2, Catherine Bertram, Mary Lee DeCoffe, Carol Johnson, George Monteiro, Kenneth Monteiro, Deborah Pate, Celia Purrington, Richard Sawyer, Richard Sharples, Susan Sherman, Fredricka Troy and Diana Warburton; Grade 3, Ann Apperson, Ann Figueiredo, Susan Hawkins, Carol Leonard, John Matthews, Susan Perry, James Ward, Sally Kay West and Victoria Yen; Grade 4, Andrea Boardman, Joseph Costa, Douglas Crabbe, Judith Dexter, Michael Ellis, Peter Lawrence, Susan Luiz, Robert Moore, Stephen Power, David Smith, Robert Teachman and Judith Young; Grade 5, Barbara Harriman, Ross Hopkins, Nancy Peck, Peter Sawyer, Jeanne Silveira, Richard Toomey, Roberta Turner; Grade 6, Martha Aston, Richard Blasdale, Nancy Downing, Joyce Harrison, Duncan Power, Jonathan Raymond, Kathie Schrage, Carole Sherman, Carol Winters, William Young and Ruth Heuberger; Grade 7, Beth Bailey, Linda Purrington, Mary Reed, Doreen Sylvia, Beverly Turner, Louise Valladoa and Judith Walega; Grade 8, Lorine Durfee, Susan Erhard, Gale Foster, Linda Knight, Diana Pierce, Thomas Renahan and Thomas Webber; Grade 9, Ruth Downing, Anne Fitzgerald, Frances Hyland, Pamela

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IN THE WAKE OF THE MARY CELESTE
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Why was the Mary Celeste abandoned? Many answers to this question have been advanced, none wholly satisfactory. Discarding such alleged causes as Algerian pirates, mutiny, the impressment of seamen, and even the attack of a giant octopus, let us turn our attention briefly to two reasonable theories and the objections to them.

One of these is set forth in a letter by Captain Ansel Weeks, Jr. of Mattapoisett, published in the Journal of Commerce, March 28, 1873.

"Editor of the Journal of Commerce:

"It appears strange to me that in attributing the affair of the Mary Celeste to mutiny, or criminal desertion, with the view of defrauding the underwriters, the more probable and common-sense view of the matter has been overlooked.

"According to the log, the vessel had made

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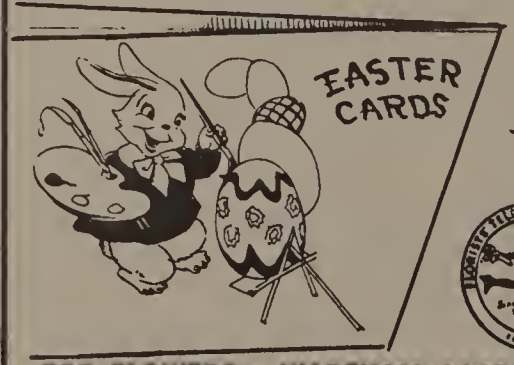

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"Now suppose that, notwithstanding their utmost efforts (anchoring being out of the question on account of depth of water and boldness of shore), the vessel should have approached so near the breakers as to make it dangerous to remain any longer on board, then of course the only recourse would be to take to the boat.

"At that late season, with the boat overcrowded by the captain and family, officers, and crew, and of the weather or inaccessible side of the island, and taking for granted that the vessel was doomed, they would naturally pull away and endeavor to make a landing on some accessible part. They may have been deceived by appearances (a

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surf never showing its worst from off shore) and have been swamped, or even may have been swamped in trying to reach the port on the south side of the island, and of course all on board would have perished.

"The shore being so very bold, the vessel before entering the breakers or grounding may have been kept off by the undertows, and possibly, as is often the case after a calm, a faint air might have struck from the land and have drifted her clear of the eastern point, and then the shore making off a

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broad southerly, the vessel with the wind from the west quarter, and drawing off the island, might easily have drifted into the position in which she was discovered, more especially as a vessel of that rig having so much fore-and-aft canvas would work off quite fast, even if the square sails were aback.

"This would account for everything in the cabin having been found undisturbed, as probably the captain would defer until the last moment imparting to his wife the facts of the situation; also the men being in the boat would have little or no time for gathering together their effects.

signed "Capt. Ansel Weeks, Jr.
Mattapoisett, Mass."

We like the salty flavor of Captain Ansel's letter. He knew well the island of Santa Maria and the tricks of old Ocean, but obviously he had not been informed of the lack of sail on the Mary Celeste when boarded by the sailors from the Dei Gratia. In a calm such as he describes no sea captain trying to keep his vessel from drifting ashore would furl his topgallant sail, royal, staysails, mainsail, and gafftopsail. These sails were found furled or lowered.

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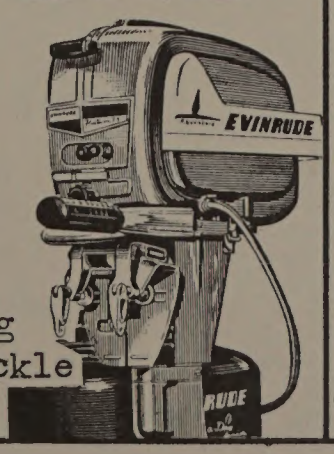

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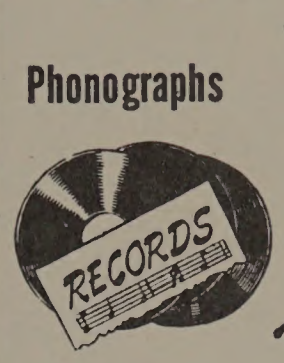

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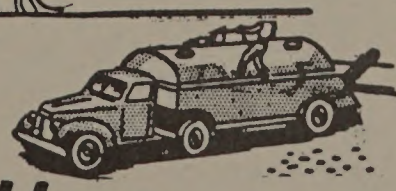
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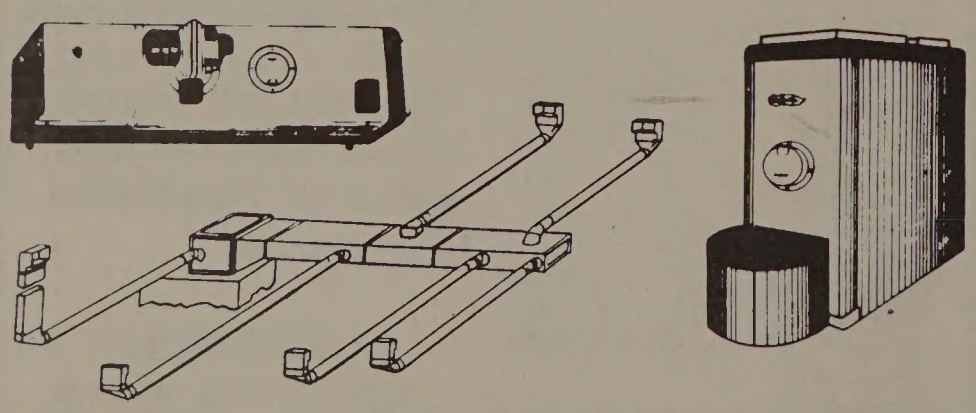

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